



Water Polo Team Selection Policy

Water polo teams consist of 13 players. Seagulls' water polo squads are in general bigger than this. This note sets out the selection policy applicable to all squads.

Match selection

1. Friendly matches

With the prior agreement of opposing coaches we will give everyone who wishes to play a game. If restricted to 13 players the league match criteria will apply.

2. League matches

If more than 13 players are available to play, then the lead Coach for that squad will use attendance at training sessions to decide on the team for the match. Coaches will try to ensure that this does not affect any squad member more than once in a season.

3. Tournaments

If more than 13 players are available to play, the Coaching Team will select on the basis of the strongest team available with the lead Coach for that squad making the final decision.

Selection

1. Attendance at training

The lead Coach of each squad will maintain a register of training attendance. This will be the record that is used to determine any players who must drop out when a match is oversubscribed.

Allowance will be made for reasonable non-attendance at training provided the lead Coach is notified by email in advance and agrees. Examples of reasonable non-attendance are County, Regional or National swimming or water polo competitions, injury, family bereavement, etc.

2. Decision

The Coach's decision will be final.

Responding to calling notices

It is the responsibility of players and their parents to:

- keep up to date with fixture lists. These will be made available on the club's website: <http://www.seagullssc.org.uk/>
- respond to calling notices for matches quickly whether available or not – usually by email

Anyone not responding to calling notices and turning up at the match will be left out of the team if it is oversubscribed.